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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

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Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Initiation of 5-Year Status Reviews for 18 Species in Hawaii, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Canada

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Notice of initiation of reviews; request for information.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), are initiating 5-year status reviews for 18 species in Hawaii, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, and Canada under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (Act). A 5-year status review is based on the best scientific and commercial data available at the time of the review; therefore, we are requesting submission of any new information on these species that has become available since the last review.

DATES: To ensure consideration in our reviews, we are requesting submission of new information no later than [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER THE DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]. However, we will continue to accept new information about any listed species at any time.

ADDRESSES: Submit information on any of the 12 species in Hawaii (see table under What Species Are Under Review?) via U.S. mail to: Field Supervisor, Attention: 5-Year Review, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Islands Fish and Wildlife Office, 300 Ala Moana Blvd., Room 3-122, Honolulu, HI 96850, or by email to pifwo_admin@fws.gov.

For the Columbia Basin pygmy rabbit, *Castilleja levisecta*, *Hackelia venusta*, and *Sidalcea oregana* var. *calva*, submit information via U.S. mail to: Field Supervisor, Attention: 5-Year Review, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington Fish and Wildlife Office, 510 Desmond Dr. SE, Suite 102, Lacey, WA 98503, or by email to WFWO_LR@fws.gov.

For the Snake River physa snail, submit information via U.S. mail to: Field Supervisor;

Attention: 5-Year Review; U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; Idaho Fish and Wildlife Office; 1387

S. Vinnell Way, Suite 368, Boise, ID 83709, or by email to greg_burak@fws.gov.

For the white sturgeon, submit information via U.S. mail to: Field Supervisor; Attention: 5-Year Review, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Northern Idaho Field Office, 11103 East Montgomery Dr., Spokane, WA 99206, or by email to jason_flory@fws.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gregory Koob, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Islands Fish and Wildlife Office (see ADDRESSES), 808–792–9400 (for species in Hawaii); Tom McDowell, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Washington Fish and Wildlife Office, 360–753–9440 (for Columbia Basin pygmy rabbit, *Castilleja levisecta*, *Hackelia venusta*, and *Sidalcea oregana* var. *calva*); or Tracy Melbihess, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Idaho Fish and Wildlife Office, 208–378–5287 (for white sturgeon and Snake River physa snail). Individuals who are hearing impaired or speech impaired may call the Federal Relay Service at 800–877–8339 for TTY assistance.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Why Do We Conduct 5-Year Reviews?

Under the Endangered Species Act of 1973, as amended (16 U.S.C. 1531 *et seq.*; Act), we maintain lists of endangered and threatened wildlife and plant speciess (referred to as the List) in the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) at 50 CFR 17.11 (for wildlife) and 17.12 (for plants). Section 4(c)(2) of the Act requires us to review each listed species' status at least once every 5 years. For additional information about 5-year reviews, go to http://www.fws.gov/endangered/what-we-do/recovery-overview.html, scroll down to "Learn more about 5-Year Reviews," and click on the "5-Year Reviews" link.

What Information Do We Consider in Our Review?

A 5-year review considers all new information available at the time of the review. In conducting these reviews, we consider the best scientific and commercial data that have become available since the listing determination or most recent status review, such as:

- (A) Species biology, including but not limited to population trends, distribution, abundance, demographics, and genetics;
- (B) Habitat conditions, including but not limited to amount, distribution, and suitability;
- (C) Conservation measures that have been implemented that benefit the species;
- (D) Threat status and trends in relation to the five listing factors (as defined in section 4(a)(1) of the Act); and
- (E) Other new information, data, or corrections, including but not limited to taxonomic or nomenclatural changes, identification of erroneous information contained in the List,

and improved analytical methods.

Any new information will be considered during the 5-year review and will also be useful in evaluating the ongoing recovery programs for these species.

What Species Are Under Review?

This notice announces our active review of the 18 species listed in the table below.

Species for which the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service is initiating 5-year status reviews.						
Common Name	Scientific Name	Status ANIMALS	Where listed	Final listing rule (Federal Register citation and publication date)		
Hawaiian hoary bat	Lasiurus cinereus semotus	Endangered	Wherever found (Hawaii)	35 FR 16047, 10/13/1970		
Columbia Basin pygmy rabbit	Brachylagus idahoensis	Endangered	U.S.A (Washington – Douglas, Grant, Lincoln, Adams, Benton Counties)	68 FR 10388, 3/5/2003		
Hawaiian stilt	Himantopus mexicanus knudseni	Endangered	Wherever found (Hawaii)	35 FR 16047, 10/13/1970		
White Sturgeon (Kootenai River DPS)	Acipenser transmontanus	Endangered	U.S.A. (Idaho, Montana), Canada (British Columbia) (Kootenai River system)	59 FR 45989, 9/6/1994		
Snake River physa snail	Physa natricina	Endangered	Wherever found (Idaho)	57 FR 59244, 12/14/1992		
Pacific Hawaiian damselfly	Megalagrion pacificum	Endangered	Wherever found (Hawaii)	52 FR 21481, 6/5/1987		
Blackburn's sphinx moth	Manduca blackburni	Endangered	Wherever found (Hawaii)	65 FR 4770, 2/1/2000		

PLANTS						
Kooloaula	Abutilon menziesii	Endangered	Wherever found (Hawaii)	51 FR 34412, 9/26/1986		
Golden paintbrush	Castilleja levisecta	Threatened	Wherever found (Oregon, Washington, British Columbia)	62 FR 31740, 6/11/1997		
Haha	Cyanea grimesiana ssp. grimesiana	Endangered	Wherever found (Hawaii)	61 FR 53108, 10/10/1996		
Showy stickseed	Hackelia venusta	Endangered	Wherever found (Washington)	67 FR 5515, 2/6/2002		
Awiwi	Kadua cookiana	Endangered	Wherever found (Hawaii)	59 FR 9304, 2/25/1994		
Ihi'ihi	Marsilea villosa	Endangered	Wherever found (Hawaii)	57 FR 27863, 6/22/1992		
Carter's panicgrass	Panicum fauriei var. carteri	Endangered	Wherever found (Hawaii)	48 FR 46328, 10/12/1983		
Wahane	Pritchardia aylmer- robinsonii	Endangered	Wherever found (Hawaii)	61 FR 41020, 8/7/1996		
No common name	Sanicula purpurea	Endangered	Wherever found (Hawaii)	61 FR 53108, 10/10/1996		
No common name	Schiedea hookeri	Endangered	Wherever found (Hawaii)	61 FR 53108, 10/10/1996		
Wenatchee Mountains checker-mallow	Sidalcea oregana var. calva	Endangered	Wherever found (Washington)	64 FR 71680, 12/22/1999		

Request for New Information

To ensure that a 5-year review is complete and based on the best available scientific and commercial information, we request new information from all sources. See **What Information Do We Consider in Our Review?** for specific criteria. If you submit information, please support it with documentation such as maps, bibliographic references, methods used to gather and analyze the data, and/or copies of any pertinent publications, reports, or letters by knowledgeable sources.

If you wish to provide information for any species listed above, please submit your

comments and materials to the appropriate contact in **ADDRESSES**.

Public Availability of Comments

Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal

identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—

including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time.

While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from

public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Comments and materials received will be available for public inspection, by

appointment, during normal business hours at the offices where the comments are submitted.

Completed and Active Reviews

A list of all completed and currently active 5-year reviews addressing species for which

the Pacific Region of the Service has lead responsibility is available at

http://www.fws.gov/pacific/ecoservices/endangered/recovery/5year.html.

Authority

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